

NOT MOLINEUX, BUT CORNISH IDENTIFIED

Greatest Sensation of the Second Trial.

MAILED POISON PACKAGE

WAS IN THE POSTOFFICE

After Several More Handwriting Experts Who Testify for the Defense, the Star Witness of the Second Trial Says the Star

Prove an Alibi.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, November 6.—The greatest sensation in the second trial of Roland B. Molineux, charged with the murder of Mrs. Adams, came late to-day when Mrs. Hannah Stephenson, the wife of a Brooklyn policeman, was called to the stand by the defense and testified

positively that Molineux was not the man who mailed the now famous poison package at the general postoffice on the evening of December 23, 1938. Then the witness partially identified Harry Cornish, who was asked to stand up in court, as the man whom she saw standing in front of her in line at the postoffice and holding in his hand a package addressed to "Mr. Harry Cornish, Knickerbocker." That was all she saw. Her identification of Cornish was not positive. She said

he looked very much like the man, but he hesitated before replying affirmatively when asked if she did not think he was the man. The witness's account of her movements on the evening of December 23, and her reason for not appearing at the first trial was given in detail.

The prosecution on cross-examination brought out the fact that Mrs. Stephenson had suffered from attacks of nervous prostration within the last two years.

and had carefully read the details of the former trial. The question of the Assistant District-Attorney tended to show that an effort would be made to prove insanity or delusion under hysteria. It is also said that an effort will be made to prove an alibi for Cornish. Mrs. Stephenson was on the stand when court adjourned until to-morrow.

HANDWRITING EXPERTS.
When court opened to-day, Mr. J. M.

When court opened today in the Molineux trial, David N. Carvalho, the handwriting expert, who was on the stand when adjournment was taken last night, resumed his place in the witness chair. He said he did not believe that Molineux wrote the poisoned package wrapper or any of the disputed writings, and then in great detail he explained to the jury his reasons for his opinions.

polson package address. These witnesses were Clarence Foote, David W. Torrey, Samuel H. McDowell and George Dunham, handwriting experts from banks; E. D. Bushnell, who was chairman of the Knickerbocker Athletic Club House Committee and had seen Molieux write; Professor George Goldy, of Princeton University, who had correspondence with Molieux; and Samuel Pittinger, cashier of the New York National Bank.

Mrs. Anna C. Stephenson, of Brooklyn, the eagerly-awaited witness, who says she saw the poison package mailed by a man not Molineux, was called late in the afternoon. Men and women stood on their seats: to see her, but order was quickly restored in the court room.

SAW PACKAGE MAILED.

In reply to a question as to what she did Friday, December 23, 1893, Mrs. Ste-

Johnson said she went to the main postoffice in New York to mail a package and got in line with other persons. A man in front of her with a package aroused her curiosity because he seemed very nervous, and she saw the name "Cornish" and the words "Knickerbocker Club" on the package. She said the man left the postoffice and she did not know where he went after that. The poison package wrapper was shown to

the witness, and she said the address looked like the one she saw in the post-office. Mrs. Stephenson said she attended the coroner's inquest and saw Molineux. She was sure he was not the man, and told her husband she ought to make known her knowledge. He persuaded her that there was no occasion for her to mix up in the matter.

When the trial was on she went to offer her testimony, but was shut off by

"Is that the man you saw with the package in the postoffice?" asked ex-Governor Black, as Molineux stood up.

"It is not," said Mrs. Stephenson, with added emphasis.

"Do you think you could recognize the man who mailed the package?" asked

Mr. Osborne, in opening his cross-examination.

"I think I can."

IDENTIFIES CORNISH.

"Do you say Cornish is that man?"

"I say he looks like him."

Cornish stood up at the invitation of the assistant district attorney, and he and the witness regarded each other steadily.

"Is that the man?" Mr. Osborne said.

"It looks very much like him," Mrs. Stephenson replied.

"But is it?"

"To the best of my recollection it is."

Mrs. Stephenson said it was at the first trial that she first recognized Cornish as the man who mailed the package. She testified that there were three stamps on the package and the wrapper was put before her. It had five stamps on it, and witness said she probably had noticed

three of them which were in a straight line at the top and had overlooked the two lower ones.

Replying to questions by the assistant district attorney, witness said she had been ill with nervous prostration, and that she read all the newspaper stories of the death of Mrs. Adams.

Witness was asked to read the wrapper, but said she could not, having left her reading glasses at home. She denied that she had any conversation with the

her sanity was ever questioned. She said that she had asked for divine instructions as to what to do in this case, and had prayed. On direct examination she said she prayed every day for divine guidance. Court adjourned at this point until tomorrow.